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In re the Application of

Hiroaki TAKAIWA et al. Group Art Unit: 2882

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For: IMMERSION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD

WITH LIQUID DETECTION APPARATUS

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>June 5, 2010</u>, an extension of time for a period of <u>three</u> months is hereby requested.

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